

# Senate Study Bill 3061

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BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF  
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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to alarm system installer or contractor  
2 certification and electrician licensure provisions, and  
3 providing an effective date.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
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1 1 Section 1. Section 100C.3, Code Supplement 2007, is  
2 amended by adding the following new subsection:  
1 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. An applicant for certification as an  
1 4 alarm system contractor or an alarm system installer shall be  
1 5 subject to a national criminal history check through the  
1 6 federal bureau of investigation. The applicant shall provide  
1 7 fingerprints to the department of public safety for submission  
1 8 through the state criminal history repository to the federal  
1 9 bureau of investigation. Fees for the national criminal  
1 10 history check shall be paid by the applicant or the  
1 11 applicant's employer. The results of a criminal history check  
1 12 conducted pursuant to this subsection shall not be considered  
1 13 a public record under chapter 22.  
1 14 Sec. 2. Section 103.22, subsections 2 and 3, Code  
1 15 Supplement 2007, are amended to read as follows:  
1 16 2. Require employees of municipal ~~corporations~~ utilities,  
1 17 electric membership or cooperative associations, ~~public~~  
~~1 18 utility corporations~~ investor-owned utilities, rural water  
1 19 associations or districts, railroads, telecommunications  
1 20 companies, franchised cable television operators, or  
1 21 commercial or industrial companies performing manufacturing,  
1 22 installation, and repair work for such employer to hold  
1 23 licenses while acting within the scope of their employment.  
1 24 3. Require any person doing work for which a license would  
1 25 otherwise be required under this chapter to hold a license  
1 26 issued under this chapter if the person is the holder of a  
1 27 valid license issued by any political subdivision, so long as  
1 28 the person makes electrical installations only in the  
1 29 jurisdictional limits of such political subdivision and such  
1 30 license issued by the political subdivision ~~meets the~~  
~~1 31 requirements is based upon requirements that are substantially~~  
~~1 32 equivalent to the licensing requirements~~ of this chapter.  
1 33 Sec. 3. 2007 Iowa Acts, chapter 197, section 40, is  
1 34 amended to read as follows:  
1 35 SEC. 40. NEW SECTION. 103.30 INSPECTIONS NOT REQUIRED.  
2 1 Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require the  
2 2 work of employees of municipal ~~corporations~~ utilities,  
2 3 railroads, electric membership or cooperative associations,  
2 4 ~~public utility corporations~~ investor-owned utilities, rural  
2 5 water associations or districts, or telecommunications systems  
2 6 to be inspected while acting within the scope of their  
2 7 employment.  
2 8 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. Sections 1 and 2 of this Act,  
2 9 being deemed of immediate importance, take effect upon  
2 10 enactment.  
2 11 EXPLANATION  
2 12 This bill relates to requirements pertaining to applicants  
2 13 for alarm system contractor and installer certification, and  
2 14 to specified exceptions to electrician licensure provisions.  
2 15 The bill provides that applicants for certification as an  
2 16 alarm system contractor or alarm system installer must provide  
2 17 fingerprints to the department of public safety for submission  
2 18 through the state criminal history repository to the federal

2 19 bureau of investigation for the purposes of conducting a  
2 20 national criminal history check. The bill states that fees  
2 21 for the history check shall be paid by the applicant or the  
2 22 applicant's employer, and that the results of the check shall  
2 23 not be considered a public record under Code chapter 22.  
2 24 The bill also changes references to municipal corporations  
2 25 in portions of Code chapter 103 providing exceptions from  
2 26 electrician licensure requirements. The bill changes an  
2 27 exception for municipal corporation employees acting within  
2 28 the scope of their employment to refer to municipal utility  
2 29 employees, and makes a corresponding clarification changing  
2 30 public utility corporations to investor-owned utilities. The  
2 31 result of these changes is to clarify that employees of  
2 32 investor-owned utilities, municipal utilities, and electric  
2 33 membership or cooperative associations acting within the scope  
2 34 of their employment are all exempt. References are changed in  
2 35 current statutory law, and also in electrician licensure  
3 1 provisions not taking effect until January 1, 2009.  
3 2 Additionally, the bill modifies an exception from  
3 3 electrician licensure for persons holding a valid license  
3 4 issued by a political subdivision and doing work only within  
3 5 that political subdivision's jurisdictional limits.  
3 6 Currently, the exception is available if the political  
3 7 subdivision issues a license which meets the requirements of  
3 8 Code chapter 103. The bill modifies this provision such that  
3 9 the license issued by a political subdivision shall be based  
3 10 upon requirements substantially equivalent to the licensing  
3 11 requirements of the Code chapter.  
3 12 Sections of the bill amending provisions currently in  
3 13 effect take effect upon enactment.  
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